Dear Santa,

We are from Waveland and our home was at:

[redacted] Amar St.

We are now living at:

Address: [redacted] Amar St.

City Waveland State MS Zipcode 39576

Phone No. [redacted]

Our family consists of:

Darren & Aimee [redacted]

Our Katrina experience was:

Like everyone else in Waveland, we lost pretty much everything. We were living in one house & building a new one across the street. The house we lived at was beyond repair & has since been torn down. Our new house was almost finished at the time Katrina hit. We are thankful it's salvagable & we have already started repairs. -over-

Write something special that you would like Santa to bring you or your family:

First we'd love for the city to do our sewer tap! (We've been waiting over a month.) But as far as material things go, the things we want can't be replaced. The trashbags full of pictures, the art, the furniture I

Please use back or another sheet of paper, if you want to write more. We want to hear your story.

Return by November 30th to:

Mayor's Office, City of Waveland, P. O. Box 539, Waveland, MS 39576

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We finally got a FEMA trailer, but can't seem to get a sewer tap from the city. Luckily our trailer has a holding tank! Waveland is home & we have no plans to ever leave. Darren & I will get to see the city rebuilt & enjoy many Wavefests yet to come :) Of course this is the condensed version of our story, I think everyone in Waveland & BSL could write a novel about what they've been through since the storm - everything from evacuating (or staying) for the storm to clean up to FEMA & insurance fiascos. Our story is just one of thousands - a story of loss, grief, acceptance & rebuilding.

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reupholstered myself. If we had to name something, I think we'd like our electronic stuff back. I'm an amatuer photographer & my husband is a graphic designer, so we had the fancy scanners, printer, computers, you name it. But since all of that stuff is out of Santa's price range (:) we'd really like to have some of our kitchen stuff back. We had a wok that we used all the time & my red Kitchenaid mixer isn't salvagable (I used to bake all the time.) I still haven't been able to bring myself to throw away my mixer. Darren just gave it to me for Christmas last year - it wasn't even a year old.

I hope Santa can give all the kids of Waveland a semi-normal Christmas. Christmas on Coleman would be nice too!

Merry Christmas
- Aimee